



Mezaan Crosby

Muslim Girls Mentoring Program

After finding support from a female Muslim mentor during the pandemic, Girl Scout Mezaan Crosby wanted to give this opportunity to other girls, leading to the creation of the Muslim Girls Mentoring Program. With studies revealing that mentorships create healthier relationships and help improve self-confidence, Mezaan organized regular monthly meetings with fun activities and celebrations for the group including an outdoor hike, community service, an Eid party, and confidence workshop. Mezaan's program impacted a total of 37 young Muslim women as well as their families and mentors. 60% of program mentees said they felt more confident and 100% of the mentors who completed the survey said they would serve as mentors again. Mezaan has been involved in Girl Scouts for over 10 years and credits her Gold Award-winning project for teaching her how to fundraise and improving her public speaking skills. A student at Horizon Honors Secondary School, Mezaan plans to major in either life science or biomedical engineering with a long-term goal of a Ph.D. in engineering from an R1 institution.